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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In response to the Examiner's further Office Action of September 12, 2006 issued with respect to the present RCE application, the Applicant respectfully submits the accompanying Amendment of the claims and the following Remarks.

Regarding Amendment

In the Amendment:

independent claims 1 and 6 are further amended to clarify that the air compressor is located within the body of the cradle and to specify that a print media transport assembly is also located within the body of the cradle for transporting print media past the printhead of the removable inkjet cartridge. Support for these amendments can be found, for example, at page 12, lines 6-16 of the present specification;

independent claim 1 is also amended to insert --locate-- after "to" on line 2, as required by the Examiner; and

dependent claims 2-5 are unchanged.

It is respectfully submitted that the Amendments do not add any new matter to the present application.

Regarding Continuation Details

It is respectfully noted that a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) was filed by the Applicant in response to the Advisory Action of May 23, 2006, not a request for a Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) as indicated by the Examiner. Therefore, the present action should be on the RCE.

Regarding Claim Objection

It is respectfully submitted that the above-described amendment to claim 1 to insert --locate-- after "to" on line 2, provides the correction required by the Examiner.

Regarding 35 USC 102(b) Rejections

It is respectfully submitted that the subject matter of amended independent claims 1 and 6, and dependent claims 2-5, is not disclosed by previously cited Silverbrook, for at least the following reasons.

In the Response to Applicant's Arguments section of the present Office Action, the Examiner asserts that Figures 1-5 and 10 of Silverbrook show the limitations of pending claims 1-6.

Whilst the Applicant respectfully disagrees, independent claims 1 and 6 have been further amended as discussed above to clearly distinguish the claimed invention from the disclosure of Silverbrook.

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That is, it is specified that in the present invention, the cradle 4 also has a print media transport assembly 93 which is arranged to transport print media past the printhead of the removable inkjet cartridge 6 when the cartridge is received in the body of the cradle 4 (see page 12, lines 6-16 of the present specification).

Clearly, Silverbrook does not disclose such a cradle, because the roller assembly 536 is part of the print cartridge 506 not the "cradle" of Silverbrook. Further, there is no motivation for one of ordinary skill in the art to modify the disclosed arrangement of Silverbrook because Silverbrook specifically discloses that it is advantageous to have most of the components within the footprint of the print cartridge (see col. 2, lines 58-63, col. 5, lines 8-12 and Figs. 4 and 5 of Silverbrook).

It is respectfully submitted that the Examiner's objections and rejections have been traversed. Accordingly, it is submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance and reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

Very respectfully,

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